STUDENTS' TUTORIAL

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Class : XII Subject : English B

(1 mark each question)

THE EYES HAVE IT by Ruskin Bond:

- 1. What type of text is it?
- 2. At which station did the girl get into the train?
- 3. Who came to see the girl off at the station of Rohana?
- 4. Why were the girl's parents very much anxious about her comfort?
- 5. What did the girl's parents advise her to avoid?
- 6. How did the narrator attempt to strike up a conversation with the girl?
- 7. What was the narrator's very first clue about his fellow traveler in the train?
- 8. How did the narrator know that the girl wore slippers?
- 9. Why was the narrator unable to tell anything about the look of the girl?
- 10. Whose voice startled the girl?
- 11. Why did the voice of the narrator startle the girl?
- 12. What do people with good eyesight fail to see?
- 13. "I didn't see you either." who is the speaker?
- 14. What is the narrator's opinion about aunts?
- 15. "Aunts are usually formidable creatures." who made this remark and when ?
- 16. "Oh, how lucky you are." who said & about whom?
- 17. Why did the girl consider the narrator lucky?
- 18. What did the girl say about Mussoorie?
- 19. "Then I made a mistake" what was the mistake?
- 20. "That always happens." what always happens?
- 21. "But it was a safe remark." What was the remark?
- 22. How did the narrator praise the girl?
- 23. "You have an interesting face."--Who said & about whom?
- 24. When did the girl laugh pleasantly?
- 25. What was the girl tired of?
- 26. How did the narrator compare the girl's voice?
- 27. "We'll soon be at your station." Which 'station' is referred to here?
- 28. "And a high-pitched female voice near the carriage door"- Whose voice was it?

- 29. "You must be disappointed." Who said & to whom?
- 30. What did the narrator ask the new passenger about the girl ?
- 31. What did the new passenger say about the girl?
- 32. "...and we moved off." Who are 'we' in this?
- 33. What did the narrator want to play once again?
- 34. Why were the beautiful eyes of the girl useless?

STRONG ROOTS by APJ Abdul Kalam:

- 1. How does APJ Abdul Kalam sum up his childhood in Rameswaram ?
- 2. How does Kalam describe his neighbourhood?
- 3. Why was Kalam's father well-known in their locality?
- 4. Name a distinguished friend of APJ Abdul Kalam's father.
- 5. What was the name of Abdul Kalam's mother?
- 6. When did the father of Abdul Kalam get up from bed?
- 7. How was the house of APJ Abdul Kalam?
- 8. How does Kalam describe his appearance?
- 9. Where did Kalam's father go for the evening prayers?

THREE QUESTIONS by Leo Tolstoy:

- 1. For what three questions does the Tsar want answers?
- 2. Whom does the Tsar finally approach for the answers?
- 3. Why does the Tsar disguise his appearance before the meeting?
- 4. Describe the sudden turn of events that take place even as the Tsar patiently waits for his answer.
- 5. What are the final answers to the Tsar's three questions as declared by the hermit?
- 6. Why did the Tsar decide to consult the hermit?
- 7. What, according to the hermit, is the most important time?
- 8. Why did learned men come to the Tsar?
- 9. Where did the hermit live?
- 10. To whom did the three questions occur?
- 11. Why was the bearded man a sworn enemy of the Tsar?

THANK YOU, MA'AM by Langston Hughes:

- 1. Why did Roger want to steal Mrs. Jones' pocketbook?
- 2. Why did Mrs. Jones take the boy home?
- 3. What did Mrs. Jones tell Roger about herself?
- **4.** "... shoes got by devilish ways will burn your feet." What did Mrs. Jones mean by this?
- 5. Why doesn't Roger run away?

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- **6.** How do you think the day with Mrs. Jones will change Roger?
- 7. At the end of the story "The boy wanted to say something else other than, 'Thank you, M'am,' to Mrs. Luella Bates Washington Jones, but... he couldn't even say that." -- What else besides "thank you" do you think Roger wanted to say to Mrs. Jones?
- **8.** When and where did Roger and Mrs. Luella Bates Washington Jones meet ?
- **9.** How did Mrs. Jones ensure that he could not break free from her grip?
- **10.** Which one of these lines spoken by Mrs. Jones tells you that she can read Roger's mind?
- **11.** What was the name of the boy who tried to snatch the bag?
- 12. Why did the boy try to snatch the pocket book?
- 13. Why did Mrs. Luella Bates give the boy ten dollars?
- 14. Where did Mrs. Luella Bates turn the boy loose?
- **15.** What was the price of the cake the boy was given a part of in "Thank You Ma'am?
- **16.** Where did Luella take the boy in 'Thank you Ma'am"?

ON KILLING A TREE by Gieve Patel:

- 1. Where does irony lie in the poem?
- 2. In what form of verse is this poem written in?
- 3. On what tone does the poem end?
- 4. What makes this poem easy to read?
- 5. Where will green twigs rise from?
- 6. "And then it is done" What act is referred to here?
- 7. What is to be done with the root in this poem?
- 8. How, according to Gieve Patel, has the tree grown?
- 9. What kind of task is it to kill a tree?
- 10. What type of poem is "On Killing a Tree"?

ASLEEP IN THE VALLEY by Arthur Rimbaud:

- 1. What is the theme of this poem?
- **2.** What kind of poetry does the poet use to ride home the pity of war ?
- **3.** To which historical event does the setting of this war goes back?
- 4. What was Rimbaud's nationality?
- **5.** In what manner does the soldier lie in the countryside?
- 6. 'The humming insects don't disturb his rest' Why?

- 7. What is the smile of the dead soldier compared to?
- **8.** '... they fill the hollow full of light'. What does 'the hollow' describe?
- 9. What does the slow stream leave on the bright grass?
- **10.** What is the soldier's pillow is made of fern.

THE POETRY OF EARTH by John Keats:

- 1. What does Keats celebrate in this poem?
- **2.** Why does Keats make the voices of the grasshopper and the cricket follow each other?
- **3.** The poet contrasts summer with frost and then introduces warmth into frost. Why does he do this?
- 4. Where does the grasshopper rest at ease in summer?
- **5.** What does the cricket's song seem to 'one in drowsiness half lost'?
- **6.** "... he has never done with his delights..." Whose delights are spoken of here ?
- 7. How are the birds in summer according to Keats?
- **8.** What does the voice speak of in Keats' "The Poetry of Earth"?

SHALL I COMPARE THEE TO THE SUMMER by William Wordsworth:

- 1. What is the theme of this poem?
- **2.** What kind of poetry does the poet use to prove his friend's beauty?
- 3. Who the probable two friends described about?
- **4.** Which are compared to his friend?
- 5. Which verse is used in this poem?

Source : Internet & Other Books

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